

## DEATH FOR MURDERERS

Sentimental Jury the Only Hope of Bandits.

### CAUGHT NEAR CHICAGO

All Confess to Many Murders and Robberies.

Chicago, Nov. 28.—The cases of Van Dine, Neidermeier and Roeski, the young desperadoes charged with numerous murders and robberies, were today presented to the grand jury. Following the return of the indictments it is planned to give the boys immediate trial, and it is believed they will plead guilty in the face of the complete confessions made by them.

#### May Be Scaffold Wedding.

Van Dine's mother and sweetheart, Mamie Dunne, visited him in the police station this morning. The meeting was very affecting. According to the police officials there is a strong possibility of a "scaffold marriage," as Miss Dunne is willing and anxious to marry Van Dine before he stands trial for his crimes.

#### Roeski Caught.

Chicago, Nov. 28.—The capture of Emil Roeski, wounded, in the woods not far from Liverpool, Ind., marked the completion of yesterday's eventful proceedings in which Roeski, Harvey Van Dine and Peter Neidermeier, the three men wanted for numerous robberies and murders in and about Chicago during the last few months, were run to earth. The three were hurried to Chicago to escape danger of violence at the hands of the crowd of Indiana farmers who had assembled, and last night all confessed and gave the details of enough crimes to insure their death on the gallows.

The escape of the trio from the dugout in the woods to which they were traced through the snow by detectives was effected when the detectives withdrew and dragged a train on which to place their wounded quarry they might be taken to Chicago.

This opportunity was seized upon by the fugitives, who ran from the dugout and boarded a Pennsylvania freight train at East Tolleston, Ind. Before reaching the town of Liverpool they were discovered by the brakeman, L. J. Sovea. He was shot dead and the bandits jumped from the train and ran towards the Michigan tracks.

#### Reinforcements for the Hunters.

Meanwhile Assistant Chief of Police Schuetzler, of Chicago, with a posse of fifty policemen and detectives, armed with revolvers and rifles, had reached Miller's Station to aid in the pursuit. The Pennsylvania railroad also took a hand. The road's chief of detectives, accompanied by every available man, was put on a special train. The engine of the first train into the Union station was unhooked and coupled to the special, and the trip at high speed for the scene of the pursuit was begun.

#### CAUGHT BY SECTION HANDS

All the Desperadoes Fight Their Last Battle and Are Wounded.

The railway officials also sent dispatches out all along the line ordering the section hands and other workmen to quit work, arm and watch for the bandits. This brought matters to a crisis before the police and railway detectives came up. The fugitives were next seen near the sand pits at East Tolleston, Ind., by a gang of sand hoppers and section hands which had armed and gone on watch according to orders, and here another battle took place. But the odds were too great for the thugs and the result was the capture of two of them, both wounded in the fray. The men were disarmed, placed on a special train with Captain Briggs, and taken to Liverpool, Ind. The third member of the party, who shot brakeman Sovea, escaped for the time being, after exchanging shots with the railroad men.

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## BATTLE BETWEEN TROOPS AND FORCE OF COWBOYS IMMINENT

Missoula, Mont., Nov. 28.—Maj. Torrey, with a battalion from Fort Missoula, including Capt. Maxey and Assistant Surgeon Herriek, of the 24th infantry, U. S. A., are now in the heart of the Flathead Indian reservation and a brush with Morriague's cowboys is expected soon. The troops

## BUSINESS SHOWS AN IMPROVEMENT

Approach of Holiday Season Responsible for Favorable Outlook.

New York, Nov. 28.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade says: Seasonable temperature and holiday purchases have stimulated retail trade, making results more satisfactory during the past week than at any recent date. Improvement was most conspicuous in heavy wearing apparel and kindred lines. Another encouraging feature was the resumption of work at the New York mills, although there is still much idle machinery, especially in the textile and iron industries.

It is at last possible to perceive an improvement in the demand for pig iron, due to the exhaustion of supplies by consumers, the extensive reduction in output and absence of further price concessions. Business is by no means brisk nor is there any expectation of wholesome activity during the remaining weeks of this year, yet there is evidence of returning confidence with the lapse of time.

Failures this week numbered 258 in the United States, against 213 last year, and 14 in Canada, compared with 16 last year.

## ST. LOUIS BOY SHOT IN CHICAGO STREET

Killed by Bullet Sent After Burglars Who Were Escaping.

Chicago, Nov. 28.—George Reynolds, aged 16, son of Capt. Peter Reynolds, of the St. Louis police department, was shot and killed on the street today by an unknown person.

Later it was ascertained young Reynolds was accidentally killed by a bullet from the revolver of John Wheelis, proprietor of a photograph establishment, who was shooting at burglars he had frightened away from his store.

## PRIVATE WYOMING BANK WRECKED BY SPECULATION

Casper, Wyo., Nov. 28.—W. A. Denckes's private bank, capitalized at \$5,000, but carrying large deposits, failed today over speculation in poor stock loans being the statement of the cause.

Harvey Van Dine and Peter Neidermeier, who were duly landed in the office of Chief O'Neill, having been put in a closed patrol wagon at the Archer avenue crossing of the Pennsylvania railway, about a mile and a half out from the terminal station. This was done to avoid the crowd working at the terminal station. To Chief of Police O'Neill Van Dine and Neidermeier confessed to the car-horn murders and to five other murders in which they had participated with Gustav Marx, who for several days has been under arrest.

Emil Roeski, the third thug, who had escaped at East Tolleston, was caught later in the woods about five miles from Liverpool, Ind. Roeski was found lying half sheltered under a log. He was suffering from a wound in his hip, and had sought to shelter himself from sight by pulling foliage and brush over him.

#### CRIMES TO ANSWER FOR

Nine Men Have Been Victims of the Ready Gun of the Thugs.

These three thugs, with Gustav Marx, have the violent deaths of seven men on their hands. Besides this one of the policemen shot in the attack on the dugout near Miller's Station, Ind., will probably die. This will make eight. Following are their latest victims: L. J. Sovea, brakeman on the Pennsylvania railroad, killed at East Tolleston, Ind., when he found them on his freight train; Joseph E. Driscoll, Chicago policeman, shot through abdomen during attack on robbers' cave near Miller's Station, probably fatally injured; Matthew Zimmer, Chicago detective, shot in arm and head during attack on robbers' retreat, will recover.

Former victims are as follows: Frank Stewart and John Johnson, shot to death in the Chicago City railway barns at Sixty-first and State streets; Benjamin C. La Gross and Adolph Jensen, shot when hold-men invaded La Gross' saloon in West North avenue, Chicago; Otto Baader, a boy, shot to death when robbers raided a saloon in Ashland avenue, Chicago; John Quinn, city detective, shot to death last Saturday night when he attempted to arrest Marx.

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rode at double-quick all night, as the situation on the reservation is believed to be critical. Morriague's number 50. They are all Indian cowboys, crack shots, well mounted, and well armed. They are charged with illegal grazing on the reservation. A second battalion of the Missoula troops is holding itself in readiness,

## RUNCIE TESTIFIES

Major Goes on the Stand and Tells His Story About Gen. Wood.

### THAT ARTICLE AS TO BROOKE

In Which, as Alleged, He Was Compared Unfavorably With His Successor.

Washington, Nov. 28.—The senate committee on military affairs heard Major James E. Runcie, of Havana, probably the most important witness that will be offered by the opponents of General Leonard Wood in their attempt to prevent his confirmation to be major general. Major Runcie was on the stand several times during the day, telling the committee of a dinner at Santiago, Cuba, attended by himself, General Wood and Ray Stannard Baker, a newspaper man, at which it is alleged was planned the magazine article attacking Major General Brooke that has figured conspicuously in the Wood case.

Major Brooke To Be a Witness.

A meeting was arranged between Runcie and Brooke before the latter was called to the stand. Runcie told him nothing but facts of which he had personal knowledge. This did not exclude his story of the dinner incident, which resulted in the issue of subpoenas for three other witnesses, among whom is General Brooke. In his testimony Major Runcie explained that he had acted as the confidential adviser of General Wood for nearly two years, and that they lived together at Santiago. It was while they were living in the same house that Baker went to Santiago in search of material for a magazine article.

Runcie Asked to Write the Article.

A meeting was arranged between the two and a dinner followed, said Major Runcie, at which was discussed the plan to have published an article which would exploit the success of General Wood in dealing with affairs at Santiago, and draw a comparison with the situation at Havana unfavorable to the administration of General Brooke. Major Runcie declared that General Wood asked him to write the article, and that he had done so. The article was given to Baker and published in February, 1900, over the name of Major Runcie.

Wood Knew What Was Written.

He asserted that General Wood knew what the article contained, and that they had correspondence about it as the result of the furor created by its publication. He offered to produce copies of letters which he had written to General Wood concerning his own defense. It was not until after General Wood succeeded General Brooke that the article was published. The effect was a severance of the relations between the witness and Gen. Wood. The witness said that when the secretary of war went to Cuba following the disclosures to the war department the suggestion was made, either by the secretary of General Wood, that he (the witness) be court-martialed for writing the article and that he had in effect invited the court martial. Runcie will appear on the witness stand again next week.

Held to the Criminal Court.

Chicago, Nov. 28.—Charles Wright, the 17-year-old youth who caused considerable excitement among the guests of the Plaza hotel some time ago by writing a letter to Manager Hill demanding \$500, under threat of blowing up the place with dynamite, has been held to the criminal court in \$1,000 bonds. Wright confessed to having written the letter to Manager Hill.

Another High-Toned Divorce.

Newport, R. I., Nov. 28.—A decree of divorce has been ordered to be entered in the case of Mrs. Arthur T. Kemp against her husband, Mrs. Kemp is a sister of Mrs. Reginald C. Vanderbilt. Some hours after he had granted the decree Judge Dubois, of the supreme court, performed a marriage ceremony between Mrs. Kemp and Hollis R. Hunnewell, of Boston.

Cows and Horses Burned.

Onaway, Mich., Nov. 28.—Onaway has suffered another heavy loss from fire. Thomas E. Shaw's large barn and two silos were burned to the ground with all the contents, which included a large quantity of grain. Twenty-one milk cows were burned and eleven horses, entailing a loss of between \$8,000 and \$10,000, with no insurance.

Protest Against Our Popular Judge.

Brussels, Nov. 28.—The international socialist bureau has issued a manifesto protesting against the lynching of negroes in the United States, and urging the United States working people, "not to permit the governing classes to divert their attention from the social question by encouraging racial war."

Peru Is Progressing.

Lima, Peru, Nov. 28.—The congress of Peru has promulgated an additional law bearing on non-Roman Catholic marriages. Henceforth it will be sufficient for a mayor to authorize a civil marriage on the declaration of either of the contracting parties that they do not belong to the Roman Catholic church.

## GEN. REYES IS ON HAND

Special Envoy of Colombia Arrives at Washington.

### TALKS OF HIS MISSION

Denies He Comes to Defeat the Canal Treaty.

Washington, Nov. 28.—Gen. Reyes, special envoy from Colombia to the United States, arrived here today.

Reyes, in an interview, said: "You will readily admit the propriety of my refraining from discussing my mission, which is of a confidential character, but of offers which Colombia is ready to make I desire to say my energies and those of my followers will be devoted to the granting of canal concessions to the United States without the payment of a cent. I cannot say more about this now." Reyes denied most emphatically that he had come to Washington to defeat the ratification of the treaty with Panama.

Recognition by Austria.

The Austria-Hungarian ambassador has informed Minister Bunau Varilla his government has recognized the republic of Panama.

## FOUND A DECREE AGAINST BRYAN

Formal Ruling in Administration of Bennett Estate.

New Haven, Conn., Nov. 28.—The formal decree of the probate court in relation to the Thilo S. Bennett will, of which William J. Bryan is an executor, has been announced by Probate Judge Cleveland. After the decision of Judge Cleveland regarding the will was made some weeks ago, after a hearing of the parties interested, the judge left it to the attorneys to agree if possible on the form of the formal decree based on that decision. Opposing counsel, however, found themselves unable to reach an agreement.

After reciting the known facts in the case Judge Cleveland decrees that neither the sealed letter by which it appeared that Bennett expressed a desire to give \$50,000 to Bryan and family and the typewritten document in the possession of Bryan, nor the envelope containing the letter should be admitted to probate as part of the will. Otherwise the will was allowed and ordered to be recorded.

## FEDERAL TROOPS ARE NOT NEEDED

Gen. Bates Completes Investigation of Labor Troubles in Colorado.

Washington, Nov. 28.—Acting Adj. Gen. Hills today received a telegram from Maj. Gen. Bates, commanding the department of the lakes, saying he had completed an investigation of the labor troubles in Colorado, and in his judgment there is nothing in the present situation to call for the use of federal troops.

## JULES LEVY, CORNETIST, PASSES TO ETERNAL REST

Chicago, Nov. 28.—Jules Levy, the world-famous cornetist, died here today.

Mr. Levy was well-known in the tricycles, having appeared here on different occasions, the last being during the past season at Black Hawk Water Tower and at Davenport summer resorts.

Probably Fatal Lamp Explosion.

Greenville, Mich., Nov. 28.—Mrs. George Gravelle, wife of Supervisor Gravelle, of Eureka, tried to light a lamp, when it exploded, throwing burning oil into her face and over her head. She will probably die.

Death of Dr. W. C. Roberts.

Danville, Ky., Nov. 28.—Rev. Dr. William Charles Roberts, president of Central university, is dead from a stroke of paralysis which he suffered several months ago. He was a leader in the Presbyterian denomination in the United States.

President Back at Washington.

Washington, Nov. 28.—President and Mrs. Roosevelt, who went to New York to attend the funeral of the president's uncle, James K. Grace, has returned to Washington.

## DENIES ONCE MORE

Grover Cleveland Plainly States He is Not in the Presidential Race.

### WRITES TO BROOKLYN EAGLE

Says Decision in the Matter is Unalterable and Conclusive.

New York, Nov. 28.—Grover Cleveland has sent the following letter to the editor of the Brooklyn Daily Eagle, dated Princeton, Nov. 25, 1903: "I have wanted for a long time to say something which I think should be said to you before others. You can never know how grateful I am for the manifestation of kindly feeling toward me on the part of my countrymen which your initiative has brought out. Your advocacy in 'The Eagle' of my nomination for the presidency came to me as a great surprise; and it has been seconded in such manner by Democratic sentiment that conflicting thoughts of gratitude have caused me to hesitate as to the time and manner of a declaration on my part concerning the subject if such a declaration should seem necessary or proper.

Does Not Entertain Thought.

"In the midst of it all, and in full view of every consideration presented, I have not for a moment been able, nor am I now able, to open my mind to the thought that in any circumstances or upon any consideration I should ever again become the nominee of my party for the presidency.

"My determination to do so is unalterable and conclusive. This you, at least, ought to know from me, and I should be glad if 'The Eagle' were made the medium of its conveyance to the public."

## TO DEDICATE TRI-CITY SANITARIUM ON DEC. 1

The board of trustees of the International Medical Missionary and Benevolent association has issued invitations to the dedication of the Tri-City sanitarium, at 1213 Fifteenth street, Moline, Monday, Nov. 23, at 3 p. m., "in the cause of humanity and as a memorial to the late Dr. Jacob Stewart."

The program is to be as follows: Music, Miss Clara Sloan; scripture reading, Rev. W. W. Willard; invocation, Rev. M. V. Crumaker; music, Mrs. Ella Catter Bryant; address, "The Principles of Medical Missionary Work as Carried On in Our Sanitariums," Dr. David Paulson; sketch, "The Life of Dr. Jacob Stewart," Dr. Maria L. Edwards; dedicatory address, Dr. J. H. Kellogg; dedicatory prayer, Elder Allen Moon; remarks, Rev. A. G. Johnson, Rev. W. M. Storey, Dr. Charles E. Stewart, Mrs. Mary Metzger, Judge J. M. Gould, Dr. J. E. Fromm, J. D. Metzger, and others; music, Miss Josephine Crabbe; inspection of the institution.

Senate and House Brief.

Washington, Nov. 28.—After a session of twenty-five minutes' duration the senate adjourned until next Tuesday. The business of the session was confined almost exclusively to the introduction of relief bills. An executive session was held.

The house met and adjourned until Tuesday. The proceedings were marked by a debate on the motion to adjourn over, during which the minority took the Republicans to task for not proceeding to the transaction of business. The vote on adjournment was a party one.

Messmer Will Succeed Katzer.

Rome, Nov. 28.—The prefect of the propaganda, Cardinal Gotti, has submitted to the pope the name of Bishop Messmer, of Green Bay, Wis., as the choice of the propaganda for archbishop of Milwaukee in succession to the late Archbishop Katzer, and the pontiff has ratified the nomination.

## INTERNATIONAL STOCK SHOW OPEN AT CHICAGO

Chicago, Nov. 28.—The International Live Stock exposition opened today at the union stock yards with a record breaking display of cattle, sheep, hogs and horses, there being 11,500 entries today, given up to students in competition in judging entries for the Spoor trophy for teams of five and the Clay and Sanders cash prizes.

Whole Family Poisoned.

Tiffin, O., Nov. 28.—The entire family of Frank Miller, consisting of himself, wife and two children, living near Bismarck, east of here, have been mysteriously poisoned. All are dead.

Cement Plant at Marengo, Ind.

Louisville, Nov. 28.—The Kentucky Portland Cement company, of Delaware, has been reorganized by Detroit capitalists, who have taken over the holdings of the Portland Cement company and will immediately begin the construction of a plant at Marengo, Ind. The deal involves about \$600,000.

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## DRAKE'S WILL CAN NOT BE LOCATED

Will Deprive Drake University of a Bequest of About \$20,000.

Centerville, Ia., Nov. 28.—Children and heirs of the late ex-Governor Francis M. Drake have given up the search for the missing will, and have appointed Dr. J. L. Sawyer, a son-in-law, to wind up the affairs of the estate. A systematic search for the instrument has been made ever since the funeral without result, and it is now believed Governor Drake left no will.

The absence of such instrument cuts out \$15,000 of the \$25,000 bequest made by the decedent to Drake university a few days prior to his death. The bequest was made provisionally and the letter accepting the offer reached the Drake mansion one day too late. The estate will be settled up privately, members of the family desiring to withhold from the public its value. It is currently rated at about \$3,000,000.

## THE TRANS-ATLANTIC YACHT RACE IN 1905

Emperor William Postpones Date on Account of Poor Health.

Berlin, Nov. 28.—Emperor William has withdrawn the offer of a cup for a trans-Atlantic yacht race in 1904 on account of his health and has substituted for the offer a cup to be raced for in 1905.

## MOTHER HAS SEARCHED 20 YEARS FOR LOST SON

Chicago, Nov. 28.—Hoping that death will not overtake her before she finds her only son, whom she has sought in vain for twenty years, an 80-year-old mother has appealed to Sergeant DeLong, of detective quarters, to find Daniel McCann. The son, who is now about 40 years old, bade his mother "good-bye" in Castlewellen, County Down, twenty years ago. He said he was going to make a fortune, and that when he had accomplished his mission, he would return, but not before.

The mother waited months and years for tidings of Daniel McCann, but none came. Three years ago she received information that her son was in San Francisco, and with her daughter Mary, she went there. Daniel McCann was not there, but she learned that he had been there and left for Chicago. She then wrote to Chief of Police O'Neill, who has assigned Sergeant DeLong on the case.

## CAPT. OBERLIN CARTER OUT OF LEAVENWORTH PRISON

Leavenworth, Kans., Nov. 28.—Ex-Capt. Oberlin M. Carter, liberated from Fort Leavenworth prison early today, took an early train for Chicago.

Half the Town Burned.

Hill City, Kan., Nov. 28.—The greater portion of the south side of this town was destroyed by fire, entailing a loss that will exceed \$100,000. Insurance, one-third. Among the total losses are the Farmers' and Merchants' bank, the Alliance store, C. A. Webster, hardware; the Masonic hall and Corder dry goods store.

Rescued Just in Time.

Cleveland, O., Nov. 28.—The barge Ogratia, lumber laden, struck a submerged crib near the entrance to the Cleveland harbor, while coming in and sank. Captain Frank Keenan, of Buffalo, and his crew of eight men were rescued by a tug just before the vessel went down.

Iowa Deadlock Still on Deck.

Washington, Nov. 28.—The Iowa delegation in congress took eight ballots for a candidate for federal judge of the northern Iowa district. The deadlock remains unbroken and the caucus adjourned until Dec. 9.

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## FAR EAST SITUATION

Japan and Russia Come to Another Deadlock

### IN THE NEGOTIATIONS

Effect of Attitude of the United States Feared.

St. Petersburg, Nov. 28.—Prolongation of the Russo-Japanese negotiations at Tokio, which have been delayed by Viceroy Alexieff's return to St. Petersburg, is due to the inability to reach an understanding regarding Korea. Tentative terms concerning Manchuria have been reached. Japan recognizes Russia's dominant interests and agrees not to place obstacles in the way of the solution of the problem. While demanding the ultimate recognition of her treaty rights, open ports and the integrity of Chinese sovereignty, Japan is content to leave these questions in abeyance, so as not to embarrass Russia.

Points That Japan Insists Upon.

In return Japan insists on the recognition of her influence in Korea and the opening of Yonampoh or other ports to foreign trade. Russia is willing to concede something, but she opposes the opening of Yonampoh, because of its proximity to the mouth of the Yalu river, on the ground that it will threaten her interests and complicate her difficulties in Manchuria. Russia is doing everything possible to bring the negotiations to a conclusion. Viceroy Alexieff has the czar's orders to this effect, and Russia considers it wise to press matters while Japan is in a pacific mood.

Uncle Sam's Pressure Feared.

The chief fear expressed here is that the moral effect of the United States' pressure in connection with the open-door policy will lead Japan to rashness. The attitude of the United States causes much nervousness and some resentment. The Russian view is that no good reason exists why the United States should not become involved in a quarrel at the instigation of Russia's enemies, when her interests, comparatively insignificant, are not yet invaded. It is pointed out that last winter and spring the United States was aroused by the persistent declaration in the British and Japanese press that Russia never would permit China to sign a commercial treaty, yet it was signed on the date fixed.

China Does Not Seem to Count.

The sudden flash of anger in China over the Russian reconquest of Mukden, because it is the old burial place of the ancestors of the present dynasty, is not considered grave, as China's impotency is recognized. Nevertheless steps will be taken to avoid a rupture, as China's friendship is needed for the future. Despite the conviction here that the crisis has passed for the winter, Russia is taking nothing for granted. Three-quarters of her fleet are massed in or moving to the Pacific. Practically nothing is left on the European side. Travelers who have just returned from Port Arthur report that trains going east are filled with troops and war munitions.

## ARMY ELEVEN AHEAD IN GAME WITH ANNAPOLIS

Philadelphia, Nov. 28.—The score at the end of the first half in the West Point-Annapolis game was: West Point, 18; Annapolis, 5.

## BRYAN GOING TO IRELAND: FETED BY CHAMBERLAIN

London, Nov. 28.—William J. Bryan lunched with Joseph Chamberlain at Highbury today. He will go to Dublin tonight.

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## HORSE DEALER BEGINS SUIT FOR \$52,000,000 WORTH OF OREGON LAND

Philadelphia, Nov. 28.—From dealing in horses to managing a \$52,000,000 estate is the jump that J. C. Strickler probably will make. He has gone to York, Pa., to begin his efforts toward establishing his claim to timber and mining lands now in possession of the state of Oregon and awaiting an owner. These lands were the property of John Schelenberger, a former Pennsylvanian, who died in Portland in July instestate. Schelenberger and Strickler's father were first cousins. Twenty second cousins live in York. In August the state of Oregon advertised for the Schelenberger heirs. Strickler's relationship has been established beyond a doubt, but legal action will be necessary to get possession of the fortune.